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REMARKS

Initially, Applicant thanks Examiner for indicating that claims 3-5, 7, 8, 10, 13-15, 17, 18, 20, 23-25, 27, 28, and 30-33 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of their base claims.

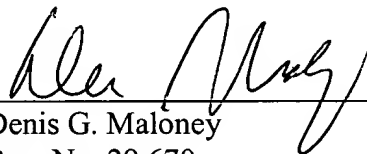
Applicant has amended the allowable claims according to Examiner's suggestion and has cancelled claims 1, 2, 6, 11, 12, 16, 21, and 26. As such, the application should be in condition for allowance. Applicant reserves the right to pursue the subject matter of the non-allowed claims.

While no fees are believed to be due with this filing, please apply any charge deficiencies or credits to deposit account 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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